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Applicant: Kia Silverbrook
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Examiner/GAU: Shelby Lee Fidler 2861

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REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action of January 12, 2007, Applicant encloses a Request for Continuing Examination together with the prescribed fee.

The supporting submissions are set out below.

We submit that the enclosed RCE fully complies with 37 CFR 1.114. Accordingly, we ask that the finality of the last report be withdrawn.

Submissions

Claims - 35 USC§103

The Examiner maintains the rejection of claim 5 for being obvious in light of US 6,347,864 to Silverbrook in view of US 6,488,368 to Petersen et al. We submit that this rejection has been raised in error.

The Examiner has equated the cartridges 12 of Petersen with the plurality of printing fluid reservoirs defined in claim 5. The printheads 16 of Petersen have been equated with the pagewidth printhead of claim 5 and finally, the refilling manifold 100 of Petersen has been equated to the refilling port with a plurality of inlets required by claim 5.

Claim 5 is also restricted to a refill port that allows each of the printing fluid reservoirs to be individually refilled to replace printing fluid ejected by the pagewidth printhead. Petersen does not disclose or suggest any mechanism by which the cartridges 12 can be refilled to replace ink ejected from the printheads 16. Likewise Silverbrook does not provide any facility on the cartridge 504 for refilling the ink reservoirs.